AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (currently amended): A light-emitting device according to claim 7, wherein the light-detecting element is arranged ~~at a position~~ substantially equidistant from ~~said~~ each of the ~~three~~ light-emitting chips.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A light-emitting device according to claim 7, wherein the light-emitting elements ~~of the first, second and third colors~~ are arranged at apexes of an equilateral triangle and the light-detecting element is arranged at the center of gravity of ~~said~~ the equilateral triangle.

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (currently amended): A light-emitting device according to claim 7, wherein the ~~three light-emitting chips are arranged on a substrate, and the~~ light-detecting element is ~~so~~ arranged ~~as~~ not to intercept ~~emitted~~ light emitted from the light-emitting chips and directed away from the substrate.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A light-emitting device comprising:

a plurality of light-emitting elements ~~for emitting~~ configured to emit light of mutually different colors;

at least one light-detecting element ~~for detecting~~ configured to detect light emitted from ~~each of~~ the light-emitting elements;

the light-emitting elements and ~~said~~ the light-detecting element being ~~mounted onto~~ on a substrate, wherein the ~~plurality of~~ light-emitting elements comprise ~~three~~ light-emitting chips ~~for emitting~~ configured to emit light of a first, second and third color, respectively;

a light emission control portion ~~for applying a predetermined~~ configured to apply a current to the light-emitting ~~elements and~~ chips thereby allowing the ~~three~~ light-emitting chips to ~~serially~~ emit light ~~with a~~ at predetermined time ~~interval among them~~ intervals; and

a light intensity adjustment portion ~~for~~ configured to serially ~~receiving~~ receive detection signals ~~outputted~~ from the light-detecting element ~~in such a fashion~~ as to correspond to an intensity of incident light, ~~analyzing said~~ analyze the detection signals and ~~adjusting~~ adjust from a first to a second non-zero value the current applied to ~~each of~~ the ~~three~~ light-emitting chips so that a predetermined color can be generated;

wherein the light emission control portion ~~allows~~ is configured to allow the light-detecting element to detect external light incident ~~into~~ on the light-detecting element in a time ~~zone~~ in which none of the light-emitting ~~elements~~ chips emit light, and the light intensity adjustment portion ~~adjusts~~ is configured to adjust the current applied to each of the light-emitting ~~elements~~ chips by use of the detection ~~signal~~ signals based on the detected external light.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display device using the light-emitting device ~~according to any~~ of claim 7 as a backlight.